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1. EMBASSY REP DISCUSSED SUBJECT PROBLEM WITH ROC GOVERNMENT INFORMATION OFFICE (PUBLICATIONS DEPARTMENT) AND MINISTRY OF INTERIOR (COPYRIGHT SCREENING COMMITTEE) AND WAS INFORMED THAT RE-REGISTRATION OF IML COPYRIGHTS MUST BE MADE BY RBBC WHICH, UNDER ROC LAW, IS STILL BOUND UNDER PUBLISHING/DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH ORIGINAL OWNER. IT FURTHER INDICATES THAT NEW OWNER OF ALLEGED COPYRIGHTS OF IML PUBLICATIONS MUST RE-NEGOTIATE AGREEMENT WITH RBBC IN ORDER TO SECURE OWNERSHIP UNDER ROC LAW.

2. RBBC MANAGER KUO-JEN SUN TOLD EMBASSY REP THAT PAYMENT OF ROYALTIES DUE IML WOULD NOT BE EFFECTED UNLESS A WRITTEN CERTIFICATE PROVIDED BY NEW OWNER OF IML PROVED THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP TO RBBC. SUN FURTHER INDICATED THAT NO ACCEPTANCE WOULD BE GIVEN TO A NEW PUBLISHING-DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT UNTIL SUCH SIGNIFICANT TERMS AS TIME LIMIT PROVED TO BE IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OLD ONE.

3. THE EMBASSY WILL BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE FURTHER ASSISTANCE IF REQUIRED.
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